



## OFFICE OF GRANTS AND LOCAL SERVICES

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The Office of Grants and Local Services develops and administers grant programs that provide funds to local and state agencies and other organizations for park, recreation and resources related projects. This is an update of the annual programs that this Office administers as well as the programs provided for by Proposition 12 and the recently approved Proposition 40. Additional information on the grant programs administered by the Office can be found on the departments web site at [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov) by following links to "Grants and 2000 Bond Act."

**Please Note: Land and Water Conservation Fund and Murray Hayden Grant Applications are due May 1, 2002.**

### ANNUAL GRANT PROGRAMS

#### Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF)

This is a two million dollar competitive grant program under the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990 available to local public agencies. The HCF Program requires a dollar for dollar match from a non-state source. The following categories will be funded during the next grant cycle: (1) Anadromous, (2) Wetlands Habitat, (3) Riparian Habitat and (4) Trails/Programs. Application deadline is October 1, 2002.

#### Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

The LWCF Program provides funds to federal agencies, and to the 50 states and 6 territories. The money allocated to the states may be used for statewide planning, and for acquiring and developing outdoor recreation areas and facilities. Approximately 8 million dollars is expected to be available for local agency grants under this competitive program for fiscal year 2002/03. The LWCF program requires a dollar for dollar match. **Application deadline is May 1, 2002.**

#### Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

The RTP provides funds for recreational trails and trails-related projects. The RTP is administered, at the federal level, by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). It is administered at the state level, by the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). Non-motorized projects are administered by the Department's Office of Grants and Local Services. Motorized projects are administered by the Department's Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division. California's allocation for this grant cycle will be approximately 3.2 million dollars. About 2.2 million dollars will be available for non-motorized trails projects and 1.0 million dollars for motorized trails projects. Cities, counties,

districts, state agencies, and nonprofit organizations with management responsibilities over public lands are eligible to apply. The RTP is a matching program that provides up to 80% of the project costs. Application deadline is October 1, 2002.

### **Specified Grants**

In each year's Budget, there are local assistance park projects from various fund sources that the Office of Grants and Local Services administers. General Fund, Environmental License Plate Fund, River Protection Sub-account, Bond Funds and other sources are typical of programs that we manage using the Procedural Guide for Various Programs.

## **2000 BOND ACT (PROPOSITION 12)**

Responding to the recreational and open-space needs of a growing population and expanding communities, Proposition 12 was passed in March of 2000 to provide 2.1 billion dollars for the "Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000" (2000 Bond). Included in the 2000 Bond were approximately 800 million dollars for local assistance grant programs that have been developed by the Office and are described below.

### **Murray-Hayden Urban Youth Services Grant Program**

Approximately 43 million dollars, is available for a competitive program to provide grant funding for capital projects, including parks, environmental enhancement projects and youth centers that are within the immediate proximity of a neighborhood that has a critical lack of parks and/or open space and/or deteriorated park facilities in an area of significant poverty and unemployment. Eligible applicants for the competitive program are heavily urbanized counties (Counties of 750,000 or more); heavily urbanized cities (Cities of 200,000 or more), or cities within a heavily urbanized county; and non-profit organizations, eligible districts, and federally recognized California Indian tribes within heavily urbanized counties or heavily urbanized cities. This program requires a 30 percent match of the project cost. The minimum grant is \$50,000. At least \$15,000,000 shall be available for grant awards of up to \$500,000 per Project. The remaining funds shall be available for grant awards of up to \$3,000,000 per Project. **Application Deadline is May 1, 2002.**

### **Dr. Paul Chaffee Zoological Program**

This program consists of two different subprograms: (1) the Zoos and Aquarium Facilities Grant (ZAF), and (2) the Wildlife Care Facilities (WCF) Grant.

#### **(1) ZAF**

Under the ZAF \$5,401,000 is available to cities, counties, and non-profit organizations for the development, rehabilitation, or restoration of facilities accredited by the American Zoo and Aquarium Association (AZA) as of April 1, 2002 that are operated by cities, counties, and non-profit organizations. Funds will be equally divided among eligible facilities that

are AZA accredited on April 1, 2002. Application Deadline was April 1, 2002. Grant awards will be announced in Summer 2002.

## **(2) WCF**

Under the competitive WCF \$385,000 is available to zoos and wildlife care centers, operated by cities, counties, and nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized California Indian Tribes, that may not be AZA accredited, but that care for animals that have been injured or abandoned and that cannot be returned to the wild. Eligible projects include development, rehabilitation, or restoration of facilities that care for native California wildlife that have been injured or abandoned and that cannot be returned to the wild. Application Deadline was February 1, 2002. Grant awards will be announced in Summer 2002.

## **Non-Motorized Trails Grant Program**

This is a 10 million dollar grant program that funds the development, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, and enhancement of non-motorized trails and associated interpretive facilities for the purpose of increasing public access to, and enjoyment of, public areas for increased recreational opportunities. All funds have been allocated.

## **Per Capita Grant Program**

This is a 388 million dollar grant program which has funds that are allocated to cities, counties, and eligible districts on a population-based formula. Allocations were released in April 2001 and jurisdictions have until July 1, 2003 to have a fully executed contract and July 1, 2008 to complete projects. Funds may be used for the acquisition, development, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement, and the development of interpretive facilities for local parks and recreational lands and facilities, including renovation of recreational facilities conveyed to local agencies resulting from the downsizing or decommissioning of federal military installations.

## **Regional Youth Soccer-Baseball Facilities Grant Program**

This is a 15 million-dollar grant program for regional youth soccer facilities and/or baseball facilities operated by non-profit organizations. All funds were allocated with specified projects in the fiscal year 2000/01 and 2001/02 State Budgets.

## **Riparian and Riverine Habitat Grant Program**

This is a 10 million dollar program to provide funds on a competitive basis to increase public recreational access, awareness, understanding, enjoyment, protection, and restoration of California's irreplaceable rivers and streams. Eligible applicants include cities, counties, districts, local agencies formed for park purposes, and federally recognized California Indian tribes. Eligible Projects include the acquisition, development, or improvement of recreation areas, open space, parks, and trails in close proximity to rivers and streams. All projects must include a Riparian or Riverine habitat enhancement element and also provide for public access. The program has a minimum of \$20,000 and a

maximum of \$400,000 per project. Application Deadline was February 1, 2002. Grant awards will be announced after approval of the fiscal year 2002/03 State Budget.

### **Roberti-Z'berg-Harris (RZH) Grants**

This program consists of three different subprograms: (1) the RZH Block Grant; (2) the RZH Urbanized Area Need Basis Grant; and (3) the RZH Nonurbanized Area Need Basis Grant. Eligible Projects for the three subprograms are acquisition of park and recreation lands and facilities, development/rehabilitation of park and recreation lands and facilities, special major maintenance of park and recreation lands and facilities, and innovative recreation programs. Note: Special major maintenance and/or innovative recreation programs may not exceed 30% of grant funds. This program requires a 30 percent match of the project cost.

#### **(1) RZH Block Grant**

This is a 166 million dollar grant program which has funds that are allocated to cities, counties, and eligible districts in urbanized areas on a population-based formula. Allocations were released in April 2001 and jurisdictions have until July 1, 2004 to have a fully executed contract and July 1, 2009 to complete projects.

#### **(2) RZH Urbanized Area Need Basis Grant**

This is a 4 million dollar statewide competitive program. Eligible applicants are cities, recreation and park districts and federally recognized California Indian tribes in urbanized areas. These funds supplement Block Grant funds allocated to eligible cities, and recreation and park districts based on population and location within urbanized areas. Jurisdictions that received Block Grants at the rate for heavily urbanized areas are not eligible. The application deadline was November 1, 2001. Grant awards will be announced by Summer 2002.

#### **(3) RZH Nonurbanized Area Need Basis Grant**

This is a 30 million dollar statewide competitive program. Eligible applicants are cities, counties, districts and federally recognized California Indian tribes in nonurbanized areas. Jurisdictions that received RZH block grants are located in urbanized areas and, as such, are not eligible for this program. The application deadline was November 1, 2001. Grant awards will be announced by Summer 2002.

### **Urban Recreational and Cultural Centers (URCC), Museums and Facilities for Wildlife or Environmental Education Grant Program**

This is an 8 million dollar competitive grant program to fund the development of urban recreational and cultural centers, museums, and facilities for wildlife education or environmental education. To be eligible for funding an applicant's project must have been nominated by a member of the Legislature by June 30, 2001. The application deadline for nominated projects was November 1, 2001. Eligible applicants include cities, counties, nonprofit

organizations, and federally recognized California Indian tribes. Grant awards will be announced after approval of the fiscal year 2002/03 State Budget.

## 2002 RESOURCES BOND (PROPOSITION 40)

On March 5, 2002 voters approved Proposition 40 by 56.8 percent, the 2.6 billion dollar "California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002" (2002 Resources Bond). The Office will begin developing local assistance grant programs totaling 832.5 million dollars under the 2002 Resources Bond. Fund availability for programs will be determined by the timing of when the program's funds are appropriated in the State Budget. Following is a brief list of the local assistance grant programs in the 2002 Resources Bond:

LOCAL PARKS PROGRAMS	AMOUNT	TYPE
Per Capita	\$ 350,000,000	Per Capita
Additional Per Capita	\$ 22,500,000	Per Capita
<b>Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Grant Program (\$200,000,000)</b>		
Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris (RZH) Block	\$ 166,000,000	Per Capita
RZH Urbanized Area Need-Basis	\$ 4,000,000	Competitive per PRC 5630
RZH Nonurbanized Area Need-Basis	\$ 30,000,000	Competitive per PRC 5630
<b>Urban and Special Needs Park Programs (\$260,000,000)</b>		
Murray Hayden (Urban Youth Services)	\$ 50,000,000	Competitive per AB 1602 PRC 5096.625
AB 1481 - Urban Park Act of 2001	\$ 140,000,000	Competitive per AB 1481 PRC 5643 - 5647
SB 359 - (1) CA Youth Soccer and Recreation Development and (2) Urban Parks and Healthy Communities	\$ 50,000,000	Competitive per SB 359 for both programs PRC 5004.5; PRC 5095.4 - 5095.5
City of Rancho Cucamonga Central Park	\$ 10,000,000	Specified
City of Los Angeles Hansen Dam Recreation Area	\$ 5,000,000	Specified
City of Los Angeles Sepulveda Basin Recreation Parkland	\$ 5,000,000	Specified
<b>TOTAL LOCAL PARKS PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$ 832,500,000</b>	

### Breakdown of Local Parks 832.5 million dollar programs by type of program:

Per Capita grant programs based on population:	538.5 million dollars
Competitive grant programs based on need basis criteria:	274.0 million dollars
Specified projects:	20.0 million dollars
TOTAL	832.5 million dollars